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## **AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

Please amend claims 1-6 as follows. A detailed listing of all original and amended claims is provided below in compliance with revised 37 CFR 1.121.

1. (currently amended) An electronic key system for a vehicle, comprising which includes a control apparatus mounted on an actual the vehicle and an electronic key for transmitting a response signal in response to receiving of a request signal transmitted from said control apparatus through a transmitting antenna, characterized in that

wherein said transmitting antenna is installed on an instrument panel of said actual vehicle or in the proximity of said instrument panel of to said actual vehicle.

2. (currently amended) An electronic key system for a vehicle according to claim 1, <del>characterized in that</del>

wherein said instrument panel has one or more various instruments and a board for securing said instruments thereto, and

wherein said transmitting antenna is provided on said board.

3. (currently amended) An electronic key system for a vehicle according to claim 2, eharacterized in that

wherein said transmitting antenna is installed at apposition on said board rather near to a seat.

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4. (currently amended) An electronic key system for a vehicle according to claim 1, where <u>further comprising</u> a shade is mounted around said instrument panel, <u>and wherein</u> said transmitting antenna is installed on said shade.

5. (currently amended) An electronic key system for a vehicle according to claim 4, eharacterized in that

wherein said shade is made of a resin.

6. (currently amended) An electronic key system for a vehicle according to claim 4, eharacterized in that

wherein said transmitting antenna is installed on an inner wall surface of said shade.